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3733 Group: Confirmation No.: 2189 Application No.: 10/058,495 **ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED ON:** Invention: COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC BEARING HAVING A MAY 28, 2008 CROSSLINKED ARTICULATING SURFACE AND METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME Richard King et al. Applicant: Filed: January 28, 2002 Attorney 265280-68002 Docket: A. Ramana Examiner:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

This Response is being filed on May 28, 2008 with a two-month extension of time. It is respectfully requested that this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect such a timely response. Any shortages in other fees should be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 with reference to file 265280-68002.

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2007, please consider the following:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.